

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: FEBRUARY 7, 2007

DEPARTMENT: CITY ATTORNEY

DIRECTOR: BRADFORD R. JERBIC

☐ Consent ☒ Discussion

SUBJECT:

Discussion and possible action on Appeal of Work Card Denial: Larry E. Walraven, 1521 Las Vegas Boulevard North #309, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

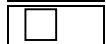
Fiscal Impact



No Impact



Augmentation Required



Budget Funds Available

Amount:

Funding Source:

Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

None

RECOMMENDATION:

None

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. Appellant Letter of Appeal
2. City Clerk Notification Letter to Appellant
3. Support Letter from Glenda Shaw, Owner of Main Street Market and Liquor, Inc.

Motion made by GARY REESE to Approve the appeal, thereby Approving a site-specific, six-month temporary work card, with the condition that MR. WALRAVEN report any arrest or citation to Metro Special Investigations within 48 hours

Passed For: 6; Against: 1; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

LOIS TARKANIAN, LAWRENCE WEEKLY, LARRY BROWN, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON; (Against-STEVEN D. ROSS); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

TONI WEEKS, Detective, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (Metro), indicated that MR. WALRAVEN was denied a work card for a clerk position at Fremont Liquor, where he has been working for 13 months on a work card issued for another location. MR. WALRAVEN was released and placed on parole for life in 2001. Since then, he has had no contact with the police. In his position, he basically stocks and does inventory, which does not require a work card. However, when he relieves other employees for break or has to fill in when someone calls in sick, he has to use the cash register, which requires a work card. The owner wishes to continue to employ MR. WALRAVEN.

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MR. WALRAVEN explained that five years after he was sentenced to life in prison something within him caused him to want to change his life. He got a college education, started a reading program in prison and acted as a mediator between prison gangs. When he was released, he was warned that it would be very difficult, but he is trying very hard to stay on track and to reconstruct his life. He humbly asked the Council to grant him a work card. MAYOR GOODMAN noted that MR. WALRAVEN is only asking to work stocking shelves, and that he certainly could not turn down such a humble presentation and request.

COUNCILMAN WOLFSON verified with MR. WALRAVEN that he is currently on parole.

COUNCILMAN ROSS praised MR. WALRAVEN for his impressive recovery. However, he could not support issuing him a work card, given his probationary status. He offered to assist him in obtaining a job that does not require a work card.

COUNCILMAN REESE opted to issue a site-specific work card with some conditions. He advised the youth sitting with the individual Councilmembers of the importance of obtaining an education.

